

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING DOCUMENTS HAVING FORMULA BASED DOCUMENT LINKS

ABSTRACT

5 A system, method, and computer usable medium having computer readable code
embodied therein for causing a computer to create, store, and retrieve a main document with a
formula that determines a reference to an insert document for inclusion in the main document.
The system includes a data storage mechanism for storing the main document with a reference to
an insert document and a shared resource database for storing one or more insert documents that
may be referenced within a main document. A document destination module enables a user to
create and store a main document with the formula or reference. That module also enables a user
to open the main document and, upon opening the main document, extracts the formula and
resolves the reference to the insert document. A document retrieval module then uses the
10 reference to retrieve the insert document and a document insertion module then inserts the insert
document into the main document.